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RAILWAYS
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High Speed Railway Line
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to construct high speed railway lines;

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the proposals for setting up new lines between Bangalore and Amravati; and

(c) the details of the progress of the project till date and the proposed timeline for setting up high speed railway lines?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a): Yes, Madam. Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed rail project has been sanctioned for implementation with financial and technical assistance from Government of Japan.

(b): Rail connectivity exists between Bangalore and Vijayawada. A new line project from Vijayawada to Guntur via Amravati (106 km) has been included in the Budget 2017-18 subject to obtaining requisite approvals.

(c): National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRC) has been incorporated to implement this project. General Consultant has been appointed by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to prepare Design documents, bidding documents and technical standards & specifications. Work on final location survey including Geotechnical investigations has commenced. Mumbai-Ahmedabad high speed rail project is targeted for completion in 2023.

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